

**NOMINATION SUBMISSION
FOR
“THE LARRY PEABODY AWARD”**



PEABODY AWARD CRITERIA

BACKGROUND In November of 2005 Mr. Larry Peabody died after a lengthy illness. Larry was a dedicated *professional* volunteer with the State of California; the then Office of Emergency Services, Law Enforcement Branch. For over 27 years Larry assisted the OES Law Enforcement Branch with the dispatch coordination of search and rescue canine personnel and resources in all types of SAR missions. In the course of his work with OES, Larry assisted in over 6,000 OES SAR missions. Throughout the majority of his affiliation with OES, Larry remained available to provide dispatch coordination on a 24-hour, 7 days a week posture despite several bouts with major illnesses and without receiving compensation. It is only proper that an annual award be established in Larry’s honor that perpetuates his admirable service to the citizens and State of California. Each year, an award will be presented to an individual SAR volunteer or team that performs their SAR duties with professionalism, dedication, and extraordinary excellence.

**AWARD
NOMINATION**

Each year, the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) Law Enforcement Division, formerly Office of Emergency Services (OES), Law Enforcement Branch, State Search & Rescue Coordinator will accept nominations for the annual “Peabody Award” from the following to include: any California law enforcement agency, emergency services agency/organization, volunteer organization, and/or civic organization.

Nominations for the award must be received by Cal EMA no later than July 31st of each year. The nomination will cover the period from previous year’s August 1st, to the year the nomination is submitted. The submitted nomination must follow the form as described in the nomination criteria below. A selection committee will review the submitted nominated candidates and make a final decision. The Cal EMA State SAR Coordinator will notify the selected candidate and will formally present the award at the Cal EMA sponsored SAREX training in the following month of September.

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NOMINATION CRITERIA

Nominations from the eligible organizations must adhere to the following criteria:

1. Nominations will only be accepted as noted above.
 2. Nominations may be either paid or volunteer search and rescue individuals or teams.
 3. Nominations shall be considered only for the year in which the nomination is received. The award year is from August 1 to July 31.
 4. The nomination must be able to articulate that the candidate had an extraordinary consequence on search and rescue in California. Supporting documents must be included in the nomination submission package.
 5. The nomination must show that the candidate went beyond the scope of what is normally expected of the candidate's organization.
 6. The nomination must demonstrate that the candidate has had a positive consequence on the victims or potential victims of search and rescue.
 7. The nominee's contribution can be in the form of a single act or action, or sustained effort over a period time.
 8. All submissions of nominee's shall be included utilizing the form contained within this entire document. (see below nomination form)
 9. Nominations shall be submitted to the Cal EMA Law Enforcement Division, postmarked no later than July 31st. Submissions may be made by email, postal service or FAX.
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SELECTION COMMITTEE

The selection committee will be comprised of the following members:

1. Cal EMA Law Enforcement Division State SAR Coordinator.
 2. California State Sheriff's Association (CSSA) Search and Rescue Liaison.
 3. Ms. Bev Peabody (Widow of Larry Peabody) or her designee.
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AWARD PRESENTATION

Upon acceptance and consideration of the nominations, the selection committee will select the Peabody Award recipient. The Peabody Award will be presented to the selected individual/team at the annual Cal EMA sponsored search and rescue exercise (SAREX) conducted in September.

PEABODY AWARD NOMINATION FORM:

Date: _____

Submitting Agency: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Nominee's Name: _____
(Individual or Team)

Position/Title: _____
(If Applicable)

Nomination Narrative:

Please provide a description of the individual or team's contribution to search and rescue in California as outlined in the criteria identified above. Indicate your response in the space provided below or on a separate page attached to this form. Also, please be sure your agency name and contact information is included on this form.

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Thank you for your nomination. We may be contacting you for further information or clarification. If your candidate/team is selected to receive the Larry Peabody Award you will be notified. The award will be announced and presented at the annual Cal EMA Law Enforcement Division, SAREX training in early September of each year. If you have any questions please contact the:

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